

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

SHERMAN PRUITT and MELODY
PRUITT,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CITY OF ARLINGTON, et al,

Defendants.

No. C08-1107 MJP

ORDER ON DEFENDANTS' MOTIONS
IN LIMINE

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on Defendants' Motions in Limine, and the Court having considered the arguments of the parties, rules as follows. Where the Court has granted a Motion in Limine, all counsel are required to inform witnesses they call of the existence of the order and its contents. For Motions in Limine which have been denied, in the absence of a specific request from the trial court to renew the objection, the moving party would be spared from further objection to that evidence when introduced at trial.

1. **Motion In Limine Re: Insurance**

☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

Comments:

2. **Motion in Limine Re: Alleged “AKA’s” of Officer Ventura**

☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

Comments:

The parties shall refrain from referring to Officer Ventura as an “a/k/a” and shall amend the pleadings to refer to this defendant as “Officer Ventura.

3. **Motion in Limine Re: Exclusion of Sherman Pruitt**

☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

Comments:

Mr. Pruitt shall be treated identically to every other witness in this matter; he will not be permitted to sit at Plaintiff’s counsel table.

4. **Motion in Limine Re: Sherman Pruitt Offering Expert Opinions**

☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

Comments:

Mr. Pruitt will be permitted to testify to facts regarding which he is a competent witness; he will not be permitted to offer opinion testimony.

5. **Motion in Limine Re: Bolstering of Sherman Pruitt and Plaintiff’s Son**

☐ Granted ☒ Denied ☐ Reserved

Comments:

6. **Motion in Limine Re: Alleged Deadly Force Used by Officer Ventura**

☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

1 7. **Motion in Limine Re: Alleged Racism in Arlington and at the Arlington**
2 **School District.**

3 ☐ Granted ☐ Denied ☒ Reserved

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8 8. **Motion in Limine Re: Bolstering of Plaintiff's Children.**

9 ☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

10 Comments:

11 Plaintiff's counsel is permitted to develop brief background information on these
12 witnesses; testimony regarding their grades or participation in school athletic activities will
13 not be permitted.

14 9. **Motion in Limine Re: Impeachment of the Langley family members.**

15 ☐ Granted ☐ Denied ☒ Reserved

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20 10. **Motion in Limine Re: DSHS Dispute Involving the Langleys.**

21 ☒ Granted ☐ Denied ☐ Reserved

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1 **11. Motion in Limine Re: Internal Affairs Investigation by the Police Department.**

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7 DATED this 17th day of ____July____, 2009.

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12 United States District Judge
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